

A Private collector in Hamburg

The Bone Ship Model of a British Third rate warship is a typical 74er with 58 guns in two gun decks, equipment for guns on the quarterdeck (16), the forecastle (6) and the poop deck (6). The figurehead is of a male. The model measures 58 cm (total length), 9.5 cm width, and 39.5 cm height. Except for the quarter galleries, there is fine and detailed carving on the transom, and in the waist. The long lateen-style yard points at an 18th century original for this model¹. Extraordinary is the gun retraction mechanism which is still working.



¹ *HMS Victory* was launched in 1765 and as built had a mizzen course with a long lateen-style yard.









